



WEYMOUTH PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY

A N N U A L R E P O R T

OF THE

PORT MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

FOR YEAR ENDING

31st DECEMBER, 1967

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E. J. GORDON WALLACE, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Port Medical Officer



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W E Y M O U T H P O R T H E A L T H A U T H O R I T Y

Health Centre,
Westham Road,
Weymouth.

January, 1968

To the Chairman and Members of the Weymouth Port Health Authority

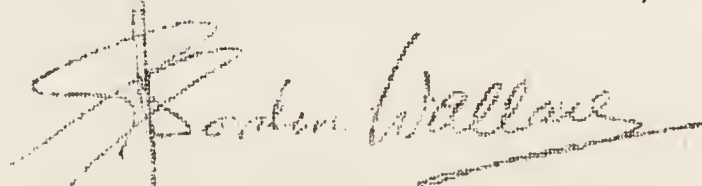
Mr. Chairman, Mrs. Brown and Gentlemen,

In accordance with Article 17(5) of the Sanitary Officers (Outside London) Regulations, 1935 and 1951, I have to submit for your information and consideration my Annual Report for the Year 1967.

The Minister of Health requires that this Report should be prepared on the lines indicated in Form Port 20 which was enclosed with Circular 33/52 dated 6th November, 1952. Form Port 20 states that the information required in Section I, V, VI, VIII, XIV, XV and XVI - all marked with an asterisk - need not be repeated each year. This information was given in full in the 1965 Report and will be recapitulated in 1970 and thereafter quinquennially. For the intermediate years, only the changes which have occurred during the year covered by the Report need be mentioned in these Sections, if there has been no change, "NO CHANGE" should be entered.

It is again a pleasure to have this opportunity of thanking the Members of the Authority for their kindness and consideration, the Clerk for his ready co-operation and Mr. E. V. Abbey, Port Health Inspector, for his willing assistance at all times. I am also most grateful to the Divisional Marine Manager, British Railways, Captain A. T. Harris, Harbour-master and the Officers of H.M. Customs for their continued help.

I have the honour to be
Your obedient Servant,



E. J. GORDON WALLACE
Port Medical Officer

SECTION I - STAFF*TABLE A

NO CHANGE

Address and Telephone Number of The Medical Officer of Health:

Office - Health Centre, Westham Road, Weymouth - Weymouth 5645/6
 - Telegraphic Address "Portelth", Weymouth
 Home - 55 Spa Road, Weymouth

SECTION II - AMOUNT OF SHIPPING ENTERING THE DISTRICT DURING THE YEARTABLE B

Ships from	Number	Tonnage	Number Inspected		Number of Ships Reported as having or having had during the voyage Infectious Diseases on board
			By the Med. Officer of Health	By the P.H. Inspector	
Foreign Ports	87	90,614	13	85	Nil
Coastwise	921	1,014,572	2	891	Nil
Total	1,008	1,105,186	15	976	Nil

SECTION III - CHARACTER OF SHIPPING AND TRADE DURING THE YEARTABLE C

		<u>Day Trippers</u>
<u>Passenger Traffic</u>	Number of Passengers INWARDS 151,571	7,982
	Number of Passengers OUTWARDS 152,615	8,057

Cargo Traffic

Principal IMPORTS - Vegetables, Fruit, Flowers, Shell and Wet Fish, Oil, Timber, Fertilizer, Gravel, Meat, Grape juice and General.

Principal EXPORTS - General merchandise, Stores, Barley, Animal feeding stuffs, Cattle and Stone.

Principal Ports from which Ships Arrived: Amsterdam, Antwerp, Augusta, Bermuda, Brega, Canneto, Castro, Channel Islands, Dahuet, Deauville, Gdansk, Ghent, Gibraltar, Hamburg, Hamina, Hangasund, Hango, Helmstadt, Kalamata, Kalmar, Kemi, Kolding, Kotka, Kristina, Kristinastadt, Lapaluoto, Lannion, Leningrad, Lipari, Malmo, Mantyluoto, Morgan City, Nantes, Norrkoping, Nystad, Oristano, Reposari, Rostock, Rotterdam, Sfax, St. Malo, Tapnitz, Tornio, Wismar, Ymuiden, Yxpila.

SECTION IV - INLAND BARGE TRAFFIC

NIL

SECTION V* - WATER SUPPLY

NO CHANGE

SECTION VI - PUBLIC HEALTH (SHIPS REGULATIONS), 1952

1. List of Infected Areas (Regulation 6). Information is received each week direct from the World Health Organisation at Geneva. Fresh lists giving appropriate extracts from this W.H.O. Weekly Epidemiological Record are now being sent each week to (a) Port Health Inspector, (b) H.M. Customs, Weymouth, and (c) H.M. Customs, Portland.

SECTION VI (2) - (5)*

NO CHANGE

SECTION VII - SMALLPOX

1. Name of Isolation Hospital to which Smallpox Cases are sent from the District

Weyhill Hospital, Andover, Hants.
Tel. No. Weyhill 214

2. Arrangements for transport of such cases to that Hospital

Dorset County Council Ambulance Service from
The Weymouth Ambulance Depot, Tel. No. Weymouth 2661
(Dorset County Control - Dorchester 1761)

Each Ambulance Driver/Attendant at this Depot is re-vaccinated every year. The vaccinal state of the Weymouth Corporation disinfectors staff is also maintained by annual re-vaccination.

3. Names of Smallpox Consultants available

Dr. E. J. Gordon Wallace	- Weymouth
Dr. A. F. Turner	- Weymouth
Dr. C. Hollins	- Dorchester

4. Facilities for laboratory diagnosis of Smallpox

Suspected material is sent to:-

Dr. A. D. MacRae,
Virus Reference Laboratory,
Central Public Health Laboratory,
Colindale Avenue, London, N.W.9.

Tel. No. Colindale 7041

SECTION VIII - VENEREAL DISEASE*

NO CHANGE

SECTION IX - CASES OF NOTIFIABLE AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES ON SHIPS

TABLE D

Category	Disease	No. of cases during Year		Number of Ships Concerned
		Passengers	Crew	
Cases landed from ships from foreign ports	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cases occurring on ships from foreign ports disposed of before arrival	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cases landed from other ships	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

SECTION X - OBSERVATIONS ON THE OCCURRENCE OF MALARIA IN SHIPS

NIL

SECTION XI - MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST SHIPS INFECTED WITH OR SUSPECTED OF PLAGUE

NIL

SECTION XII - MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST RODENTS IN SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

1. The Port Health Inspector carried out a detailed inspection for rodents in all ships arriving from foreign ports.
2. Arrangements have been made for the bacteriological and pathological examinations of rodents to be carried out at the County Laboratory, Dorchester. No such examinations were carried out during 1967.
3. The Port Health Inspector has been trained in modern methods of rodent control, including "1080" - Sodium Fluoroacetate. Small infestations are dealt with by trapping and baiting. Large scale infestations would be dealt with by specialist fumigation firms from Southampton or London.

SECTION XII Cont. - MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST RODENTS IN SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

TABLE E

Rodents destroyed during the year in ships from foreign ports.

CATEGORY				NUMBER
Black rats	Nil
Brown rats	Nil
Species not known	Nil
Sent for examination	Nil
Infected with plague	Nil

TABLE F

Deratting Certificates and Deratting Exemption Certificates
issued during the Year for Ships from Foreign Ports

No. of Deratting Certificates issued				Number of Deratting Exemption Cert's Issued	Total Certificates Issued
After fumigation with H.C.N. Other Fumigant (State Method)	After trap- ping	After Poison- ing ‡	Total		
1 2	3	4	5	6	7
Nil Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	3	3

‡ State Poisons used and number of certificates issued after each poison.

In addition to the ships from foreign ports mentioned under TABLE F above, Deratting Exemption Certificates were also issued to ten coastwise vessels.

SECTION XIII - INSPECTION OF SHIPS FOR NUISANCES

TABLE G

Inspections and Notices

Nature and number of Inspections	NOTICES SERVED		Result of Serving Notices
	Statutory Notices	Other Notices	
British 745	Nil	10	All Abated
Foreign 231	Nil	2	Both Abated
Total 976	Nil	12	12 Abated

SECTION XIV* -- PUBLIC HEALTH (SHELLFISH) REGULATIONS, 1934 and 1948

NO CHANGE

SECTION XV* - MEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS

NO CHANGE

SECTION XVI* -- MISCELLANEOUS

NO CHANGE

W E Y M O U T H P O R T H E A L T H A U T H O R I T Y

To: Dr. E. J. Gordon Wallace,
Port Medical Officer of Health

WEYMOUTH

January, 1968

Sir,

In accordance with the requirements of Article 27(8) of the Sanitary Officers' (Outside London) Regulations, 1935 and 1951, I herewith submit particulars of my work during the year 1967 as Port Health Inspector and Assistant Food Inspector to the Weymouth Port Health Authority.

Particulars of Ships Arriving and Inspected in the Port during 1967

					<u>Where Inspected</u>	
					<u>Weymouth</u>	<u>Portland</u>
British	693	48
American	1	-
Belgian	-	1
Danish	30	3
Dutch	33	19
French	17	-
German	117	9
Greek	1	1
Italian	-	1
Norwegian	-	2
					<u>892</u>	<u>84</u>

Number of Inspections made During the Year

Total Number of Vessels inspected	976
Re-Inspections after the giving of notices	26
Re-Visits to vessels discharging food cargoes	149
Re-Visits under Section 19 of the Public Health (Ships) Regulations	26
						<u>1,177</u>

Food Inspection

Six hundred and sixty-six visits and one hundred and forty-nine re-visits were made to vessels discharging food cargoes during the year. Four items of foodstuff were condemned as unfit for human consumption, details of which are set out below:-

<u>Foods</u>	<u>Quantity</u>				<u>Detained</u>	<u>Action Taken</u>
	Tons	Cwts.	Qrs.	Lbs.		Condemned and destroyed
Guernsey Tomatoes	-	8	-	16	20.5.67	22.5.67
" "	-	17	3	4	6.9.67	6.9.67
" "	4	15	3	16	4.10.67	4.10.67
1 Carcase N.Z. Lamb	-	-	1	4	3.12.67	3.12.67

The total number of packages of food landed in the Port during 1967 was:-

	<u>Packages</u>	<u>Tons</u>	<u>Cwts.</u>	<u>Qrs.</u>	<u>Lbs.</u>
Tomatoes	4,352,437				
Potatoes	165,463	4107	17	3	0
Other Produce	63,642				
Cider Apples	Bulk	3857	0	0	0
Grape Juice	Bulk	837	0	0	0
Meat	111,196	1894	4	2	5
	<u>4,692,738</u>				

I wish to express my thanks to the Chairman and members of the Port Health Authority and to yourself as Port Medical Officer for the support and consideration afforded me during the year. Also to the Officers of H.M. Customs, Waterguard and Excise, the Supply and Transport Officer (Naval) and Staff, Shipping Agents and their staffs and members of the British Railways Executive and Pier Staff, for the assistance which has been so willingly given to me.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

EDWARD V. ABBEY

Port Health and Assistant Food Inspector

